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1. SUMMARY AND COMMENT: PRESIDENT TITO AND CHAIRMAN HUA

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EXCHANGED TOASTS DURING A STATE DINNER IN BELGRADE EVENING
AUGUST 21 HOSTED BY TITO. (FULL TEXT AVAILABLE ENGLISH
LANGUAGE TANJUG 22 AUGUST.) TITO'S TOAST IS A MASTERPIECE
OF PRECISION. HE MAKES EVERY POINT ESSENTIAL TO THE YUGOSLAV
POSITION AVOIDING PROVOCATIVE TERMINOLOGY AND SPECIFICALLY
ASSERTING FOR SOVIET EARS "WE SHALL PURSUE RELATIONS AND
COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IN OUR MUTUAL INTERESTS,

BUT NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF GOOD RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND OTHER STATES." YUGOSLAVIA WILL STEADFASTLY PURSUE ITS NON-ALIGNED PRINCIPLES WHILE OPPOSING "IMPOSITION OF MODELS OR RECIPES OF ANY KIND... (AND STRIVING) TO ELIMINATE FROM INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ALL FORMS OF INEQUALITY AND DOMINATION." PROGRESS TOWARD SOCIALISM, TITO REMINDED HUA, "DEMANDS ABOVE ALL PEACE, AND THAT MEANS THE PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF DISPUTES."

2. CHAIRMAN HUA, ON THE OTHER HAND, WARNED AGAINST HEGEMONISM AND IMPERIALISM BUT STRESSED HEGEMONISM AS A MAIN THREAT TO NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. HUA SINGLED OUT THE PRAISE YUGOSLAVIA'S SYSTEM OF SOCIALIST SELF-MANAGEMENT AND ITS SYSTEM OF A TOTAL NATIONAL DEFENSE, HAILING YUGOSLAVIA'S "RESOLUTE STRUGGLE AGAINST SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES OF INTERNAL AND FOREIGN ENEMIES." CHAIRMAN HUA POINTED OUT "THE YUGOSLAV PEOPLE LOVE PEACE, THE CHINESE PEOPLE LOVE PEACE, AND ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD LOVE PEACE" BUT THEY CANNOT IGNORE THE "FURIOUS ARMS RACE AND PREPARATIONS FOR WAR." HUA, HOWEVER, DID ACKNOWLEDGE "NEITHER OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES WISH TO BEHAVE INDELICATELY TO THE OTHER... YOU ARE SITUATED IN THE BALKANS AND WE IN ASIA." HUA ALSO PAID SUPREME TRIBUTE TO YUGOSLAVIA AND ITS LEADERS, RECALLING CHAIRMAN MAO'S PRAISE FOR ITS TRIUMPH IN WW II; "YOUR VICTORIES GAVE US ENCOURAGEMENT." END SUMMARY AND COMMENT.

3. TITO'S TOAST: ADDRESSING CHAIRMAN HUA AS BOTH CHIEF OF
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STATE AND CHAIRMAN OF CPC ("COMRADE PRESIDENT"), PRESIDENT TITO NOTED WITH GREAT APPROVAL THE RAPID DEVELOPMENT IN RELATIONS BETWEEN YUGOSLAVIA AND CHINA SINCE HIS SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO PEKING IN AUGUST 1977. HE ASSERTED THAT CHAIRMAN HUA'S RETURN VISIT WOULD PROVIDE NEW IMPETUS TO "OUR COMPREHENSIVE COOPERATION." COOPERATION BETWEEN CHINA AND YUGOSLAVIA, TITO CONTINUED, IS BASED ON "UNIVERSAL PRINCIPLES OF INDEPENDENCE, EQUALITY, NON-INTERFERENCE, AND MUTUAL RESPECT, AS WELL AS THE RECOGNITION OF OBJECTIVE DIFFERENCES IN OUR RESPECTIVE PLACES IN THE WORLD AND IN OUR POLITICAL ORIENTATION. THESE PRINCIPLES PRESUPPOSE... WE SHALL PURSUE RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IN OUR MUTUAL INTEREST BUT NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF GOOD RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND OTHER STATES."

4. TITO NOTED THE UNIQUE NATURE OF THE REVOLUTIONS IN YUGOSLAVIA AND CHINA, WITH A SELF-CONGRATULATORY BOW TO YUGOSLAVIA'S SOCIAL SELF-MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. TITO PRAISED DIVERSITY WITHIN THE SOCIALIST WORLD. SOCIALISM WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN. "THUS CONCEIVED, AS A UNSTOPPABLE HISTORIC MOVEMENT FOR PROGRESS, WITHOUT THE IMPOSITION OF MODELS OR RECIPES OF WHATEVER KIND, SOCIALISM WILL IN OUR

OPINION BE REALIZED."

5. HOWEVER, TITO WARNED, THE PROGRESS OF SOCIALISM CAN BE SECURED ONLY IF "WE ALL FAITHFULLY RESPECT IN PRACTICE THE PRINCIPLES OF INDEPENDENCE, SELF-RELIANCE, EQUALITY, SOVEREIGNTY, NON-INTERFERENCE, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, THE VALIDITY OF INDIVIDUAL PATHS TO DEVELOPMENT, THE VOLUNTARY QUALITY OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND SOLIDARITY AS WELL AS THE AFFIRMATION AND RESPECT FOR THE DIFFERENCES WHICH EXIST BETWEEN COUNTRIES AND PARTIES. IT IS SELF-EVIDENT THAT THE GENERAL PROGRESS OF SOCIALISM DEMANDS ABOVE ALL PEACE AND THAT MEANS THE PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF DISPUTES AND THE SECURITY OF ALL COUNTRIES."

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6. RETURNING AGAIN TO THE THEME THAT DIFFERENCES WITHIN THE SOCIALIST MOVEMENT NEED NOT BE OBSTRUCTIONS TO COOPERATION

BETWEEN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, TITO ASSERTED THAT ON THE CONTRARY SUCH DIFFERENCES CAN ENRICH THE EXPERIENCE OF AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF ALL SOCIALIST STATES. HOWEVER, TITO REGRETTED "INCREASING MANIFESTATIONS OF DETERIORATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL ATMOSPHERE AND OF INCREASING TENSIONS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS." THIS IS PARTICULARLY EVIDENT IN
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AFRICA. "COMPETITION AND RIVALRY OF THE GREAT POWERS AND MILITARY POLITICAL BLOCS, THAT IS, ALIEN FACTORS, ARE SPREADING EVER MORE WIDELY AND INTRODUCING NEW ELEMENTS OF INSTABILITY IN THE WORLD." YUGOSLAVIA WILL CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE FOR DETENTE. THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA AND IN THE MIDDLE EAST PARTICULARLY THREATEN PEACE. YUGOSLAVIA WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE "FULL SUPPORT TO THE PEOPLES, COUNTRIES, AND LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN THEIR STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE." IN THIS STRUGGLE, TITO SAID, "WE MUST ELIMINATE FROM INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ALL FORMS OF INEQUALITY AND DOMINATION."

7. TITO ALSO PRAISED THE RESULTS OF THE RECENT BELGRADE MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES. THAT MEETING, HE SAID, "FURTHER AFFIRMED THE BASIC DIRECTION, CHARACTER, ROLE AND ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES OF THE MOVEMENT OF THE NON-ALIGNED. THE BELGRADE MEETING," HE SAID, "HAS SERVED AS AN EXCELLENT PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE AT THE SUMMIT OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES NEXT YEAR IN HAVANA."

8. HUA TOAST. ADDRESSING TITO AS "COMRADE," HUA IN A TOAST HALF AS LONG AS TITO'S EXPRESSED CORDIAL GREETINGS AND "DEEP RESPECT" OF CHINESE PEOPLE, PARTY, AND GOVERNMENT FOR YUGOSLAVIA; NOTED THAT YUGOSLAV-CHINESE RELATIONS HAD ENTERED A "NEW PHASE OF LONG-TERM, COMPREHENSIVE AND STABLE DEVELOPMENT" FOLLOWING TITO'S VISIT TO THE PRC LAST AUGUST; AND WELCOMED THE DEEPENED MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING, INCREASED MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN "OUR COMMON STRUGGLE" AND EXPANDED COOPERATION IN VARIOUS FIELDS.

9. HUA THEN OBSERVED THAT BOTH CHINESE AND YUGOSLAVS HAD WON VICTORY IN ARMED STRUGGLE AND PURSUED THEIR INDEPENDENT REVOLUTIONARY DEVELOPMENT, AND QUOTED MAO AS HAVING DESCRIBED YUGOSLAVIA AS A HEROIC COUNTRY WHOSE VICTORIES "GAVE US
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ENCOURAGEMENT."

10. THE LCY, HE CONTINUED, ON THE BASIS OF MARXIST THEORY AND

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS WITHIN YUGOSLAVIA, HAD DEVELOPED THE SOCIALIST, SELF-MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND IN JUST OVER THIRTY YEARS YUGOSLAVIA HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED FROM A BACKWARD TO A MODERN INDUSTRIAL-AGRICULTURAL STATE. HUA ALSO NOTED THE YUGOSLAV SYSTEM OF TOTAL NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SOCIAL SELF PROTECTION, THE YUGOSLAVS' "RESOLUTE STRUGGLE" AGAINST SUBVERSIVE AND DESTRUCTIVE ACTIVITIES OF INTERNAL AND FOREIGN ENEMIES", AND THEIR READINESS TO "REPEL AN ENEMY THAT WOULD DARE MOUNT AN INVASION."

11. HUA THEN POINTED TO YUGOSLAVIA'S FOUNDING ROLE WITHIN THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AND OBSERVED THAT YUGOSLAVIA IS PLAYING AN INCREASINGLY LARGE ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. NAM, HE SAID, HAS BECOME A VERY IMPORTANT FORCE IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALISM, COLONIALISM, AND HEGEMONISM AND FOR THIS REASON "SOME CONSIDER THE NAM A SERIOUS OBSTACLE TO THE REALIZATION OF THEIR AGGRESSIVE AND EXPANSIONIST POLICY. THEY ARE TRYING AT ALL COSTS TO DISRUPT THE UNITY OF THE NAM, TO DIVERT IT OR SUBORDINATE IT TO THEIR OWN HEGEMONISTIC OBJECTIVES. WE RESOLUTELY SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE OF YUGOSLAVIA TO SAFEGUARD THE UNITY OF THE NAM AND TO PRESERVE ITS FUNDAMENTAL ORIENTATION."

12. DECLARING THAT THE YUGOSLAVS, CHINESE AND ALL PEOPLES OF THE WORLD WANT PEACE, HUA CHARGED THAT "IMPERIALISTIC AND HEGEMONISTIC FORCES ARE ENGAGED IN A FURIOUS ARMS RACE AND PREPARATIONS FOR WAR. EVERYWHERE THEY ARE ENGAGED IN AGGRESSION AND EXPANSION IN THEIR RIVALRY TO GAIN MASTERY OVER THE WORLD. THIS IS A GRAVE THREAT TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES."

13. TURNING AGAIN TO YUGOSLAV-CHINESE RELATIONS, HUA SAID THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR RESPECTIVE PARTIES AND COUNTRIES ARE BASED ON MARXISM-LENINISM. BOTH SIDES ARE INDEPENDENT AND CONFIDENTIAL

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EQUAL. NEITHER WISHES TO BEHAVE "INDELICATELY" TO THE OTHER, TO INTERFERE IN ITS AFFAIRS, OR TO CONTROL IT. "YOU ARE SITUATED IN THE BALKANS AND WE ARE IN ASIA. WE ARE LINKED BY A SIMILAR PAST AND A COMMON STRUGGLE." CONCLUDING, HUA EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT HIS VISIT WOULD BE "CROWNED WITH GREAT SUCCESSES IN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES."

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